

**THE CONSTITUTION OF ZAMBIA (AMENDMENT)  
BILL, 2016**

**MEMORANDUM**

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- (a) revise the Bill of Rights to include civil, political, economic, social, cultural, environmental, further and special rights;
- (b) entrench the supremacy of the Constitution, Articles 4 and 5 of the Constitution, the electoral systems for the election of a President and Members of Parliament, the tenure of office of a President and vacancy in the office of President, the election of a Vice-President as a running mate to a presidential candidate, the provisions on the appointment, responsibilities and tenure of Ministers and Provincial Ministers, and the provisions relating to the amendment of the Constitution;
- (c) revise the provisions relating to the declaration of war, state of public emergency, threatened state of public emergency and national disasters;
- (d) revise the provisions on amendment of the Constitution; and
- (e) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

A. MWANSA,  
*Solicitor-General*

**N.A.B. 37, 2016**  
23rd May, 2016

# A BILL

ENTITLED

**An Act to amend the Constitution of Zambia.**

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia

Enactment

1. This Act may be cited as the Constitution of Zambia (Amendment) (No. ) Act, 2016, and shall be read as one with the Constitution of Zambia, in this Act referred to as the Constitution.

Short title

Cap. 1

5 2. The Constitution is amended by the repeal of Part III and the substitution thereof of the following:

Repeal and replacement of Part III

## PART III

### BILL OF RIGHT

#### Status, Application and Interpretation

10 11. (1) The Bill of Rights, as provided for in this Part, is fundamental to democracy and constitutionalism and shall be the basis of Zambia's social, political, legal, economic and cultural policies and State action.

Status of Bill of Rights

(2) The rights and freedoms set out in this Bill of Rights—

15 (a) are inherent in each individual;

(b) protect the dignity of the person;

(c) include rights and freedoms which are consistent with this Constitution but not expressly provided for, except those that are repugnant to the morals and values of the people of Zambia; and

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(d) are subject to the limitations, derogations and restrictions provided for in Articles 53, 54 and 55.

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